

REMARKS

The final Office Action dated June 9, 2008, and the patents relied on therein have been carefully reviewed, and in view of the above changes and following remarks reconsideration and allowance of all the claims pending in the application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 2, 4-11, 14, 15, 18, 21, 23-31 and 34 stand rejected. Claim 3 has been previously canceled. Claims 35 and 36 have been allowed. Claims 12, 13, 16, 17 19, 20, 22, 32 and 33 have been indicated as containing allowable subject matter and would be allowable if rewritten to include all of the limitations of the respective base claims and any intervening claims.

By this Response, claims 1, 7, 11, 22, 25 and 33 have been amended, and claims 10, 12, 21, 23, 24, 31, 32 and 34 have been canceled. Claims 1, 2, 4-9, 11, 13-20, 22, 25-30, 33, 35 and 36 remain pending.

The Amendments To The Claims

Applicants have amended claim 1 to include the subject matter of claims 10 and 12. Claim 12 has been indicated to contain allowable subject matter and would be allowable if rewritten to include base claim 1 and intervening claim 10. Claims 10 and 12 have been accordingly canceled.

Claim 7 has been amended to insert a comma after “said shell housing”. Because this amendment is directed to a formal matter and does not narrow the scope of the amended claim, no prosecution-history estoppel results from the amendment.

Claim 11 has been amended to now depend on claim 1. Previously, claim 11 depended from claim 10.

Claim 22 has been rewritten to include the features of base claim 1 and intervening claim 21. Claim 21 has been accordingly canceled.

Claims 23 and 24 have been canceled.

Claim 25 has been amended to include the features of claim 32 and intervening claim 31. Claims 31 and 32 have been accordingly canceled.

Claim 33 has been rewritten to include the features of base claim 35.

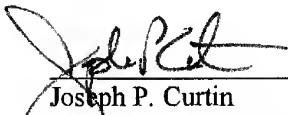
Claim 34 has been canceled.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and arguments which present the claims in better form for consideration on appeal, it is urged that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner find that a telephonic or personal interview would expedite passage to issue of the present application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

It is requested that this application be passed to issue with claims 1, 2, 4-9, 11, 13-20, 22, 25-30, 33, 35 and 36.

Respectfully submitted,



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